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SUBJECT: OECD TRADE COMMITTEE MEETING FEBRUARY 3-4? GSP AND MTN

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1. WE DISCUSSED REFERENCED INSTRUCTION LATE JANUARY 30 WITH BELGIAN MFA MULTILATERAL ECONOMIC AFFAIRS DIRECTOR TROUVEROY. TROUVEROY ASKED FOR A LITTLE TIME TO CONSIDER U.S. PROPOSALS WITH HIS COLLEAGUES HERE AND IN GENEVA. WE TALKED WITH HIM AGAIN TODAY (MONDAY), AND HE HAS PROVIDED FOLLOWING BELGIAN REACTION.

2. BELGIUM IS IN COMPLETE AGREEMENT WITH U.S. ON ARGUMENTS ADVANCED IN GROUP B STATEMENT. BELGIANS BELIEVE HOWEVER THAT TEXT PREPARED FOR UNCTAD SPECIAL COMMITTEE MEETING MIGHT NOT BE APPROPRIATE IN TONE AND APPROACH FOR OTHER PURPOSES. STATEMENTS DIVORCING COMMITTEE'S WORK FROM THAT OF MTN ARE, IN PARTICULAR, WORDED TOO STRONGLY AND SHOULD BE SOFTENED. TEXT THUS WOULD NEED REWRITING AND SHORTENING, IN BELGIANS' VIEW, TO BE USEABLE IN CIEC, UNCTAD IV, AND OTHER FORUMS.

3. TROUVEROY ALSO POINTED OUT THAT BELGIUM IS SYMPATHETIC TO LDCS ARGUMENT THAT COMPANSATION MAY BE DUE IF PREFERENTIAL MARGINS ESTABLISHED UNDER GSP ARE REDUCED BY MTN TARIFF LIBERALIZATION. ITS FINAL POLICY ON THIS POINT WILL, OF COURSE, BE IN HARMONY WITH EC DECISIONS. AT PRESENT, HOWEVER, BELGIUM IS NOT DISPOSED TO RULE OUT COMPENSATION, AS IMPLIED IN SECOND SUBSTANTIVE PARAGRAPH OF TEXT. IN THIS CONNECTION, TROUVEROY RECALLED TOKYO ROUND'S COMMITMENT TO SPECIAL TREATMENT FOR DEVELOPING COUNTRIES.

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